DEMAND FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINS DUE TO "SINGHAST" FAIR IN UJJAIN

1056. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to start Ujjain-Dehradun-Ujjain Express from Indore;

(b) whether some additional trains are also proposed to be started from Ujjain keeping in view the coming "Singhast" fair to be held in Ujjain; and

(c) if so, the details of the proposed approved schemes in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Special trains are found feasible and justified will be provided during 'Singhast' fair.

LOADING OF COAL

1057. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the targets fixed for loading of coal during 1991-92;

(b) the quantity of coal actually loaded during 1990-91; and

(c) whether the target fixed was achieved and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUWDA) : (a) Railways have indicated a total loading of 145 million tonnes of coal for the year 1991-92 which works out to an average of 17,270 four wheeler wagons (FWWs) per day. Of this, Coal India Ltd. (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd. (SCCL) put together have been given a target of loading 16,745 FWWs per day.

(b) According to information furnished by CIL and SCCL, actual loading of coal by them during 1990-91 was 14,561 FWWs per day.

(c) The target fixed for CIL & SCCL for 1990-91 was 15811 wagons per day. The shortfall in their loading was due to lower production of coal specially by Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. and inadequate supply of wagons.

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MODERNISATION OF AURANGABAD AIRPORT

1058. SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to modernise the Aurangabad airport and increase the number of flights touching Aurangabad; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b) The National Airports Authority have no immediate plans to upgrade the Aurangabad airport. The Indian Airlines is presently operating a daily Boeing-737 service on Delhi-Jaipur-Udaipur -Aurangabad-Bombay route and will augment the capacity on the Aurangabad-Bombay route in the Winter schedule of 1991-92. Vayudoot is operating thrice a week Avro service between Bombay and Aurangabad.

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN MAHARASHTRA

1059. SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have reconsidered their earlier decision to provide financial assistance to the Government of Maharashtra for the construction of the new all-weather jetty at Elephanta Caves in Bombay;

(b) if so, the details thereof and when the financial assistance is proposed to be provided; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?